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SUBJECT: RESIDUAL VALUE - "WASH SOLUTION"

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1. THE EMBASSY FEELS THAT USAREUR'S BASIC DRAFT OF THE REPORT REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN REF B WILL HAVE TO BE RE-EXAMINED IN THE LIGHT OF A NOVEMBER 1977 DRAFT REPORT BY THE GAO ENTITLED "STATUS OF US EFFORT TO SETTLE CLAIMS FOR PROPERTY RETURNED TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY." THIS GAO DRAFT REPORT QUESTIONS THE DESIRABILITY OF THE "WASH SOLUTION" TO THE RESIDUAL VALUE PROBLEM AND RAISES A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS WHICH ARE NOT ADDRESSED IN THE USAREUR DRAFT ANSWER TO THE DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST.

2. EMBASSY OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF US FORCES ARE SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH THE GAO IN HEIDELBERG ON JANUARY 5 TO DISCUSS THE GAO REPORT PRIOR TO ITS
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FINALIZATION. IN THE LIGHT OF THAT MEETING, USAREUR WILL REVIEW ITS DRAFT AND FORWARD ANY CHANGES TO THE EMBASSY. THE DRAFT WILL THEN BE RE-EXAMINED BY THE EMBASSY AND COMBINED WITH EMBASSY INPUTS. THE RESULTING PRODUCT WILL BE CLEARED WITH US FORCES BEFORE BEING SENT TO WASHINGTON.

3. GIVEN THE NEW GAO FACTOR, THE INTRINSIC
COMPLEXITY OF THE ENTIRE PROJECT AND THE NEED FOR
CAREFUL COORDINATION WITH
SEVERAL MILITARY COMMANDS, IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR
THE EMBASSY TO PROVIDE THE REPORT REQUESTED IN REF B
IN DECEMBER, AS WE HAD HOPED. HOWEVER, THE EMBASSY
AND US FORCES WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO HAVE A FINISHED
PRODUCT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOLLOWING OUR MEETING WITH
THE GAO ON JANUARY 5.
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